

# FIRELINE SPECIAL NOTICE



## STATE FIRE TRAINING

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## Important Changes to Fire Instructor Certification and Master Instructor Registration

**Q: Who is affected?**

**A: Anyone currently attending or planning to attend instructor training, especially for the purposes of Fire Instructor, Training Instructor, or Fire Officer Certification and/or anyone applying to teach the Instructor series of courses.**

State Fire Training (SFT) is in the process of an update to the Level 1 Fire Instructor curriculum. New curriculum will be released in January of 2009 and the title will be changed to Training Instructor. Existing Fire Instructor curriculum will be available for delivery through June of 2009.

This will have an impact on anyone attending Fire Instructor/Training Instructor courses for the purposes of certification. The application period for Fire Instructor I Certification will close December 31, 2008. Anyone who submits an application and payment postmarked prior to this date will have until December 31, 2009 to complete the requirements for certification. If certification requirements are not completed by this date, the new requirements (successful completion of Training Instructor 1A, 1B, and 1C) will be required.

We will begin accepting applications for Training Instructor Certification beginning January 1, 2009.


Please pay close attention to the attached chart which shows the combinations of classes that will be accepted for Fire Instructor I, Training Instructor, and Fire Officer Certifications as well as for instructor registration to teach the Instructor series of courses. This is especially important if you're currently in the process of taking courses but have not yet finished.

**Please Note: There have been no changes to the number of courses required for Fire Officer Certification. This change does not affect anyone who has already received their Fire Instructor I and/or Fire Officer Certification.**


If you have questions regarding this notice, please contact Kirsten Fonseca ([kirsten.fonseca@fire.ca.gov](mailto:kirsten.fonseca@fire.ca.gov)) for certification issues or Sandy Margullis ([sandy.margullis@fire.ca.gov](mailto:sandy.margullis@fire.ca.gov)) for instructor registration issues.

### TRAINING INSTRUCTOR 1A

Approved and required for the Certification for Fire Instructor I



Recommended for eligibility for the Statewide Training and Education Officer's Conference and for the Statewide Fire Officer's Conference




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### TRAINING INSTRUCTOR 1B

Approved and required for the Certification for Fire Instructor I



Recommended for eligibility for the Statewide Training and Education Officer's Conference and for the Statewide Fire Officer's Conference




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### TRAINING INSTRUCTOR 1C

Approved and required for the Certification for Fire Instructor I



Recommended for eligibility for the Statewide Training and Education Officer's Conference and for the Statewide Fire Officer's Conference



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	TRANSITION TIMELINE																																									
	2008						2009												2010												2011											
	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Instructor Certification	Fire Instructor I applications close 12/31/08					Training Instructor applications open 1/1/09  Capstone Testing begins Fall of 2009																																				
Fire Officer Certification	Instructor I Certification retires 12/31/09																																									
	Fire Officer applications can use a combination of instructor classes until new Fire Officer certification standards are released.																																									
Course Delivery	Instructor 1A and 1B deliveries stop 6/30/09																																									
						Training Instructor 1A, 1B, and 1C deliveries start 1/1/09																																				
Instructor Registration	Registered Instructor Applications can use a combination of instructor classes until 6/30/11.																									Only Training Instructor 1A, 1B, and 1C accepted 7/1/11																
	Master Instructor Applications can use the same combination of classes until 12/31/09.																	Only Training Instructor 1A, 1B, and 1C accepted starting 1/1/10																								

12/1/2008